EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes provision for the removal of the restrictions, contained in sections 70(5) and 71(5) of the Medicines Act 1968, on certain pharmacists who are entered in the register established and maintained in relation to Great Britain by the General Pharmaceutical Council under article 19 of the Pharmacy Order 2010 (S.I.2010/231) ("the register") from undertaking the role of a responsible pharmacist in relation to a newly established pharmacy. These are pharmacists who were awarded their pharmacy qualification by a "relevant European State" (i.e. by an EU Member State not including the United Kingdom or by Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein or Switzerland). A newly established pharmacy is, for these purposes, a pharmacy with premises in Great Britain which have been entered in Part 3 of the register for a period of less than three years.